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(U) We contacted Turkish MFA officials May 28 and several times thereafter for responses to reftel questions. MFA believes the Ministry of Justice does not have an established witness protection program and is checking further with colleagues in the Ministry of Interior regarding this topic. MFA is aware of the June 15 deadline. We will send follow up cable on receipt of further information from GOT.

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